

# Cervical Cancer

**UCSF** Helen Diller Family  
Comprehensive  
Cancer Center

The **UCSF Patient and Family Cancer Support Center** is the hub of support, information and resources for people with cancer at the **Helen Diller Family Comprehensive Cancer Center**. Learn more about UCSF's supportive care programs at <https://cancer.ucsf.edu/support/crc/patient-support-center>

The **Cancer Support Center at Mission Bay** is located at 1825 4th St., 1st Floor, Room M-1210. The **Cancer Support Center at Mt. Zion** is located at 1600 Divisadero St., 1st Floor, Room B-101.

The complete list of Patient Education Resource Pages is available to view at <http://cancer.ucsf.edu/support/crc/patient-education-resources>

## Overview

Cervical cancer usually affects women between 40 and 55 years of age, with 16,000 cases of invasive cervical cancer diagnosed annually in the United States. Pap smears are an effective screening tool. Cervical cancers start as an abnormality of cells on the surface of the cervix. These abnormalities are not cancerous. They include dysplasia, squamous intraepithelial lesions (SIL) and carcinoma in situ. If undetected or untreated, these pre-invasive abnormalities eventually may invade normal cells of the cervix. As a result, cancer may develop, invading surrounding tissues or lymph nodes and possibly spreading to other parts of the body. If these lesions have not invaded normal cells of the cervix, treatments may be relatively simple and straightforward.

Website: <https://www.ucsfhealth.org/conditions/cervical-cancer>

## UCSF Resources

### UCSF Gynecologic Oncology Center

The UCSF Gynecologic Oncology Center offers innovative, compassionate care in a supportive environment. Our team – which includes gynecologic cancer surgeons, radiation specialists and specially trained nurses – provides screening exams, diagnostic imaging and treatments such as surgery and radiation. We also offer expert advice on the latest therapies, as well as education and other services. Genetic counseling for high-risk families is also available. We have three locations in the Bay Area to make patient visits as convenient as possible. Website:

<https://www.ucsfhealth.org/clinics/gynecologic-oncology-center> | Phone Number: (415) 353-9600

## Publications

American Cancer Society: “Sex and the Woman with Cancer”

Website: <http://www.cancer.org/treatment/treatments-and-side-effects/physical-side-effects/fertility-and-sexual-side-effects/sexuality-for-women-with-cancer.html>



## Organizations

### American Cancer Society (ACS) – Cervical Cancer

At the American Cancer Society, we're on a mission to free the world from cancer. Until we do, we'll be funding and conducting research, sharing expert information, supporting patients, and spreading the word about prevention. All so you can live longer — and better.

Website: <https://www.cancer.org/cancer/cervical-cancer.html> | Phone Number: 800.227.2345

### Bay Area Cancer Connections

BACC helps people with breast and ovarian cancers. Services include a helpline, buddy programs, pro-bono counseling, a wig boutique, information and support groups. Located in Palo Alto, but services are available to anyone. All services are free.

Website: <https://www.bayareacancer.org/> | Phone Number: 650-326-6686

### Cancer.Net - Cervical Cancer

This is Cancer.Net's Guide to Cervical Cancer

Website: <https://www.cancer.net/cancer-t%C3%BDpes/cervical-cancer>

### Cancer Support Community – Cervical Cancer

As the largest professionally led nonprofit network of cancer support worldwide, the Cancer Support Community is dedicated to ensuring that all people impacted by cancer are empowered by knowledge, strengthened by action, and sustained by community.

Website: <https://www.cancersupportcommunity.org/cervical-cancer> | Phone Number: 888-793-9355

### Foundation for Women's Cancer

Provides comprehensive educational materials about all gynecologic cancers. Also has much information about coping, caregiving, supportive care, clinical trials and more

Website: <http://www.foundationforwomenscancer.org/> | Phone Number: 312-578-1439

### Medline Plus: Trusted Health Information for You – Cervical Cancer

MedlinePlus is a service of the National Library of Medicine (NLM), the world's largest medical library, which is part of the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

Website: <https://medlineplus.gov/cervicalcancer.html>

### National Cancer Institute – Cervical Cancer

“Ovarian, Fallopian Tube, and Primary Peritoneal Cancer”

Website: <https://www.cancer.gov/types/cervical>



## National Comprehensive Cancer Network

“NCCN Guidelines for Patients: Ovarian Cancer”.

Website: <http://www.nccn.org/patients/guidelines/ovarian/index.html>

## National Cervical Cancer Coalition

Provides educational materials, information, resources, and ways to become involved.

Website: <http://www.cancer.gov/types/cervical>

## National LGBT Cancer Network

The National LGBT Cancer Network works to improve the lives of LGBT cancer survivors and those at risk by: EDUCATING the LGBT community about our increased cancer risks and the importance of screening and early detection; TRAINING health care providers to offer more culturally-competent, safe and welcoming care; and ADVOCATING for LGBT survivors in mainstream cancer organizations, the media and research.

Website: <https://cancer-network.org/about/> | Phone Number: 212-675-2633

## Ovarian Cancer Research Fund Alliance

OCRA advances ovarian cancer research while supporting women and their families.

Website: <https://ocrahope.org/> | Phone Number: 866-399-6262

## Sharsheret

For Jewish women facing breast or ovarian cancer. Informative, educational website and national events. Website: [www.sharsheret.org](http://www.sharsheret.org) | Phone Number: 866-474-2774

*This information is intended to offer credible and reliable education resources for patients who want to learn more about their diagnosis. It is not intended to be a comprehensive list of all resources available.*

